



Chancellor's Report

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UAS Juneau Campus Auke Lake Trail Project Update



Students take in the view from the recently installed floating bridges on the new Auke Lake trail. Work on the trail was underway throughout the summer and fall. The project is a collaboration between the City and Borough of Juneau and UAS. Earlier this year, Judge Robert Boochever donated an additional \$100,000 to the Auke Lake trail upgrade effort. The trail will serve educational, cultural and recreational uses for both UAS and the local community. The project is scheduled for completion in the summer of 2009.

photos by Alex Bogolepov

University of Alaska Southeast Ketchikan Receives \$131,500 Grant

Additional funds will be utilized to enhance current grant activities

The University of Alaska Southeast Ketchikan campus was awarded an additional \$131,500 to its existing Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian-Serving Institutions Program grant to further develop and implement a comprehensive system of student support services for rural and Alaska Natives on Prince of Wales and Annette Islands. The initial grant was awarded in 2004.

The additional funds will be utilized to enhance current grant activities through continued training of existing staff to better serve and advise distance students, update technology, development and implementation of web-based student support services, and the creation of a laptop loaner program for distance students.

The Ketchikan campus will develop a laptop and web technology loan program for Alaska Native and rural Alaskan students enrolled in the Associate of Arts program via distance. The program will require students in the loan program to participate in student orientations, financial aid and scholarship writing seminars, online library and research orientations and tutoring modules. UAS Ketchikan staff will increase their skills and abilities in advising and tutoring in an online environment, offering more student support services to students in the distance environment.

The goal of the additional funding is to create sustainable web-based student support services with highly-trained staff members. It will allow more Alaska Native and rural Alaskans the opportunity to gain a higher education without leaving their communities

Professor Tallmon Delivers Keynote Address

International workshop in Porto, Portugal,
September 9-13, 2008

Assistant Professor of Biology David Tallmon was invited to provide a keynote address and serve as an instructor at an international workshop on Conservation Genetics Data Analysis in Porto, Portugal, September 9-13, 2008. He described software he developed with collaborators from England and France and recent UAS CIO graduate Ally Koyuk to analyze genetic samples from wildlife and plant populations.

Tersteeg honored with Mayor's Award

UAS faculty Alice Tersteeg received a Mayor's Award for the Arts, October 23, 2008

at the Juneau Arts & Humanities Council. Tersteeg was honored for her more than thirty years of work at the University of Alaska SE Sitka and Juneau campuses. She implemented the use of non-toxic print-making methods and was committed to the importance of the arts for every individual. Tersteeg's tenure culminated in the development of a Bachelor of Art degree for UAS. She retired from UAS in Spring, 2008, as the first BA in Art was granted. Alice Tersteeg was presented with the Innovative Application of the Arts award at the second annual Juneau Mayor's event.

And the Emmy goes to: Ketchikan

Dr. Schulte adds Emmy award to her list of accomplishments

University of Alaska Southeast Ketchikan faculty, Priscilla Schulte, Ph.D., Professor of Anthropology and Sociology, has added an Emmy award to her list of accomplishments. Dr. Schulte received the award as a member of the Academic Advisory Committee for an educational series titled "Physical Anthropology: The Evolving Human", which won an Emmy at the 2008 awards show in the category of Best Instructional Programming. The series is a production of California's Coastline Community College. According to the college, "Physical Anthropology: The Evolving Human" was produced with the help of more than 30 content advisors and more than 100 professional experts.

Dr. Priscilla Schulte specializes in multicultural education, Alaska Native cultures, socio-cultural change and archaeology of Southeast Alaska. Dr. Schulte has been a professor on the Ketchikan campus since 1980 and a pioneer in teaching university courses via distance methods over the last ten years.



100+ campaign features a first-time focus on prospective students in the Anchorage area

The offices of Admissions and Public Relations have joined forces to draw 100 new full time students to the Juneau campus in Fall 2009. Ninety-percent of UAS students are from Alaska. Initiatives include direct mail postcards to Alaska high school students and posters in Alaska high school counseling offices. The 100+ campaign features a first-time focus on prospective students in the Anchorage area. Related efforts include a new future students website, UAS homepage commercials (i.e. Environmental Science, coming soon: Marine Bio) as well as email surveys and focus groups with current students.